



The Voice of Small Business

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To: Honorable Members of the Michigan House Regulatory Reform Committee

From: Charles Owens, State Director

Date: November 2, 2011

RE: Senate Bills 271–274 and 276-279 Regulatory Reforms

We are writing to you to ask for your support of the above referenced package of bills that would make much needed reforms to Michigan's Administrative Procedures Act and other laws pursuant to improving the state's regulatory climate.

The overall business climate of a state is a blend of tax policy, regulatory policy, labor policy and legal environment. All of these areas need to be considered if we are to move Michigan forward for job providers and citizens. These bills tackle our uncompetitive and unfriendly regulatory climate by bringing more accountability to the development of rules and the issuance of permits.

NFIB represents more than 10,000 small businesses in the state of Michigan and we have heard time and time again from our members over the last eight years how Michigan has ignored the concerns of small business and job providers in the development and enforcement of rules and permitting.

We have an opportunity to change that today and we again we ask you to support these bills.

Thank you for your support of small business.